

Additional, because of helpless child.

Prior rate to widow not affected.

Examining surgeons. Fees.

Agents' salaries.

Clerk hire.

Proviso. Apportionment.

Rent, New York agency.

Inspection of agencies. Vol. 22, p. 374. R. S., sec. 4766, p. 927.

Stationery, etc.

Proviso. Franked envelopes for pensioners.

Reimbursement for burial, etc., expenses.

That when an additional pension has been, or may hereafter be, granted by special act to a widow or guardian on account of a helpless child, such additional pension shall in no wise affect the rate of pension the widow may be entitled to independent of such additional allowance. For fees and expenses of examining surgeons, pensions, for services rendered within the fiscal year nineteen hundred and ten, four hundred thousand dollars.

For salaries of agents for the payment of pensions, at four thousand dollars each, seventy-two thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary.

For clerk hire and other services, in the pension agencies, four hundred thousand dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary: *Provided*, That the amount of clerk hire and other services for each agency shall be apportioned as nearly as practicable in proportion to the number of pensioners paid at each agency, and the salaries paid shall be subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Interior.

For rent, New York agency, four thousand five hundred dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary.

For examination and inspection of pension agencies, as provided by the final provision of the Act of August eighth, eighteen hundred and eighty-two, amending section forty-seven hundred and sixty-six, Revised Statutes, one thousand five hundred dollars.

For stationery and other necessary expenses, thirty thousand dollars: *Provided*, That the Secretary of the Interior shall hereafter furnish free to all pensioners franked or penalty envelopes, properly addressed, to be used by said pensioners only for the return of their pension vouchers: *And provided further*, That hereafter the settlement of all claims for the reimbursement of expenses of the last sickness and burial of deceased pensioners shall be under the direction of the Commissioner of Pensions.

Approved, March 4, 1909.

March 4, 1909. [S. 6055.]

[Public, No. 332.]

District of Columbia. Code amendment. Vol. 1, p. 1299.

Building associations.

Proviso. Examination by Comptroller of the Currency. Vol. 31, p. 1299, amended.

Expense of examination. Limit.

Report to the Comptroller.

CHAP. 303.—An Act To amend section six hundred and ninety-one of subchapter seven, building associations, of the Code of Law for the District of Columbia.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section six hundred and ninety-one, subchapter seven, of the Code of Law of the District of Columbia, relating to building associations, be amended so that the same shall read:

“**SEC. 691. OBJECTS.**—The object of such corporation shall be the accumulation of a capital in money to be derived from the savings and accumulations by the members thereof, to be paid into said corporation in such sums and at such times as may be designated by the by-laws of said corporation, from which the members thereof may obtain advances upon their shares of stock: *Provided*, That the Comptroller of the Currency, in addition to the powers conferred upon him by law for the examination of national banks, is further authorized, whenever he may deem it useful, to cause examination to be made into the condition of any building association incorporated under the provisions of this chapter, as well as any other building or loan association located or doing business in the District of Columbia. The expenses necessarily incurred in making any such examination shall not exceed the sum of twenty-five dollars for the first five hundred thousand dollars or fractional part thereof of assets and the sum of ten dollars for each additional two hundred and fifty thousand dollars or fractional part thereof of assets, and be paid by such association to the Comptroller of the Currency at the time of the making of such examination: *And provided further*, That every building or loan association

located and doing business in the District of Columbia shall make to the Comptroller of the Currency at least one report during each year, according to the form which may be prescribed by him, verified by the oath or affirmation of the president or secretary of such association and attested by the signature of at least three of the directors. The said Comptroller shall also have power to take possession of any company or association whenever in his judgment it is insolvent or is knowingly violating the laws under which such company is incorporated, and to liquidate the same in the manner provided in the laws of the United States in respect to national banks: *Provided further*, That from and after the first day of July, anno Domini nineteen hundred and nine, no person, company, association, copartnership, or corporation shall conduct or carry on in the District of Columbia the kind of business named in this Act, without strict compliance in all particulars with the provisions of this Act: *Provided*, That building associations heretofore organized and in actual operation before the passage of this Act need not be incorporated. Any person, officer, or agent of any company, firm, or corporation who shall willfully violate any of the provisions of this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall on conviction thereof be punished by a fine of not more than one thousand dollars or by imprisonment not longer than two years, or by both said punishments, in the discretion of the court. That any willful false swearing in regard to any certificate, or report, or public notice required by the provisions of this Act shall be perjury, and shall be punished as such according to the laws of the District of Columbia. And any misappropriation of any of the money of any corporation or company, formed under or availing itself of the privileges of this Act, or of any building or loan association located or doing business in the District of Columbia, or any money, funds, or property intrusted to any such corporation, company, or association, shall be held to be larceny and shall be punished as such under the laws of said District."

Oath, etc.
Liquidation, if insolvent, etc.

Restriction.

Existing associations need not be incorporated.

Penalty for violation.

Perjury, etc.

Misappropriating funds considered larceny.

New section to Code.

All building associations affected.
Exception.

Deposit of securities with Comptroller.

Minimum amount.

SEC. 2. That there be added to the Code of Law of the District of Columbia a new section, to stand as section six hundred and ninety-one a, and to read as follows:

SEC. 691 a. That any building association incorporated or unincorporated, organized and existing under the laws of any State or Territory, except the District of Columbia, to do or now doing, in the District of Columbia, a building association business or otherwise operating as a building association, shall be subject to all the provisions of the foregoing section of this Act in respect of the powers of the Comptroller of the Currency hereunder, and, any such association or corporation shall at all times keep on deposit with the Comptroller of the Currency in money or stocks, bonds or mortgages or other securities to be approved by said officer not less than ten per centum of its capital and surplus as security for its depositors and creditors, and as a guarantee for the faithful performance of its contracts, and may also make such further deposit of its assets as above described with the Comptroller for such purpose as it may from time to time desire so to do.

Approved, March 4, 1909.

CHAP. 304.—An Act To extend the time for the completion of a bridge across the Missouri River at Yankton, South Dakota, by the Yankton, Norfolk and Southern Railway Company.

March 4, 1909.
[S. 7640.]

[Public, No. 333.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section six of an Act approved March ninth, nineteen hundred and four, authorizing the Yankton, Norfolk and Southern Railway Company to construct a combined railroad, wagon, and foot-passenger bridge across the Mis-

Missouri River.
Time extended for bridging by Yankton, Norfolk and Southern Railway Company at Yankton, S. Dak.